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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady in the West, steady elsewhere. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate, best for active retail ads and fast food with optimism for first of the month and upcoming holiday. Reports of heavy rains and flooding continued to hamper parts of the Northeast. In the parts structure, trading was light to moderate for midweek trading. Wings were adequate to better balanced, and dark meat was sufficient and clearing well. Breast items were in good supply with bone-in breasts often more available, and boneless skinless moving best. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cents to 69.50 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 74.75 cents last year on June 29, 2005.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

	DOCK PRICE
ITEM	(CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	150.50
BREASTS - B/S	144.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	73.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	86.50
LEG QUARTERS	35.50
WINGS	77.00

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

<u>SOUTHERN REGION</u> Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand into all channels was fair to moderate with optimism for upcoming first of the month and July 4th holiday. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to well balanced for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to instances fairly good. Supplies of all items were generally in balance to well cleared and moving satisfactorily. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers ranged mostly light to moderate during midweek trading with improvements noted for late week due to the upcoming 4th of July holiday. Offerings of all sizes were at least adequate. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts and wings were in good balance; bone-in breasts were at least sufficient. Other items were noted as generally adequate.

MIDWEST REGION The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was steady. Offerings were limited for the fair trade call. Fill-in trade noted on 2 3/4 to 3 up wogs at 49 cents delivered St. Louis. Retail and food service demand was light to mostly moderate; occasionally some fairly good demand noted into resort areas, institutional centers and into attractive retail advertisements. Floor stocks were adequate to at times short; weights mostly desirable. Parts inquiry was light to moderate on limited to adequate offerings. The market tone was steady to firm on all parts.

<u>WESTERN REGION</u> The market tone was fully steady. Offerings were generally adequate to cover immediate trade needs. Buying activity was disappointing. Retailer demand was moderate overall with best interest where promotions in progress. Floor stocks were mainly adequate. Parts were about steady with wings showing some strength.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 211 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 24, 2006. This was down 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN 3 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 24, 2006. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through June 24, 2006 were 4.37 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED TOTAL 19 SELECTED STATES

PERCENT CHANGE

 WEEK ENDING 06/24/06
 2006
 2005
 PREVIOUS YEAR

 EGGS SET
 210,878
 212,546
 -01

 CHICKS PLACED
 174,140
 178,879
 -03

Source: NASS, USDA

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 05-Aug-06 is estimated at 160.8 million head. This compares to 161.0 million head the previous week and to 167.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 171.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 71.45 cents per pound.

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JUNE 27, 2006 SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JUNE 29, 2006

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME. CENTS PER POUND.

THAT TROOKEOT VOLUME,	OLIVIO	LICI COND.		l .					
PC	DUNDS			WTD	PO	UNDS			WTD
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>(000)</u>	RANGE	MAJORITY	<u>AVG</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>(000)</u>	RANGE	MAJORITY	<u>AVG</u>
BREAST - B/S	675	128.00-179.00	-	136.10	BREAST - B/S	595	128.00-178.00	135-140	137.60
TENDERLOINS	214	108.00-167.00	-	114.10	TENDERLOINS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
BREAST - LINE RUN	116	64.00-73.00	-	71.19	BREAST - LINE RUN	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
FRONT HALVES	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		FRONT HALVES	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
LEGS	148	37.00-56.00	39-40	39.24	LEGS	168	36.00-56.00	38-39	39.33
LEG QUARTERS (BULK) 585	29.00-36.00	31-33	32.58	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	590	30.00-35.00	33-34	33.40
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,131	30.00-37.00	33-35	33.78	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,211	31.00-38.00	34-35	34.60
WINGS (WHOLE)	287	60.00-79.00	75-77	74.59	WINGS (WHOLE)	285	60.00-79.00	72-75	72.81
WINGS (CUT)	285	83.00-96.00	89-92	90.12	WINGS (CUT)	235	83.00-94.00	89-92	90.32
DRUMSTICKS	100	35.00-56.00	-	39.81	DRUMSTICKS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
THIGHS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		THIGHS	Т	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
B/S THIGHS	тТ	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		B/S THIGHS	ΤΤ	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
WHOLE BODY INDEX BASE	D ON SC	OUTHERN STATES	PARTS TRADII	******** NG FOR —	- F.O.B. DOCK.	*****	******	*****	*****
	RANG		ODAY'S AVER			TODAY	'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AV	ERAGE
	7.50-52		49.79		47.50-52.00		50.54	50.1	
The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.									

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

Trucklot buying activity ranged light to moderate as dealers assess market conditions as heavy rains continued to hamper parts of the Northeast. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts were in good balance; bone-in breasts were at least sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts and wings were clearing satisfactorily. Movement through retail and distributive channels was moderate. The market tone was fully steady for boneless skinless breasts. The balance of items were generally steady to at least steady.

*ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

JUNE 27, 2006	CURRENT NEG	WTD		JUNE 28, 2006	CURRENT NEG	WTD	
<u>ITEM</u>	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	<u>ITEM</u>	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	145-150	135.22	406,000	BREAST - B/S	145-150	134.23	342,860
TENDERLOINS	120-125	119.72	145,023	TENDERLOINS	120-125	108.68	80,840
BREAST - WITH RIBS	72-73	82.32	74,360	BREAST - WITH RIBS	72-73	79.91	81,760
BREAST - LINE RUN	72	74.80	79,200	BREAST - LINE RUN	72	74.68	95,400
LEGS	43-44	44.48	74,400	LEGS	43-44	44.98	134,267
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	34-35	34.04	385,810	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	34-35	35.15	226,840
DRUMSTICKS	38-39	44.07	72,747	DRUMSTICKS	38-39	47.31	58,507
THIGHS	28-29	38.87	81,225	THIGHS	28-29	37.49	63,000
B/S THIGHS	83-84	84.36	68,800	B/S THIGHS	83-84	82.15	36,600
WINGS (WHOLE)	71-72	73.83	130,500	WINGS (WHOLE)	71-72	73.03	159,560
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPEI	O) 10-12	12.13	11,640	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPE	D) 10-12	11.37	28,440
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	24.70	11,480	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	31.63	18,440
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	45.26	18,280	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	43.98	23,160
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INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

^{**} WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS) AVG								, <u>SOUTHERN CALIFOR</u>	<u>NIA (L.A. AREA) PRO</u>	CESSED POULTRY	
	ESTIN	MATED	AC ⁻	<u>TUAL</u>	AVG	WTS	ACTUAL	WTS	DELIVERED TO RETAIL	<u>_ERS</u>	RANGE
	(1,000)		(1,000)				(1,000)		FRESH FRYERS		94-98
	06/28	06/27	06/26	06/23	06/26	06/23	06/21	06/19	ROASTERS 4# & UP		97-105
Alabama	4,083	4,082	3,867	4,498	5.40	5.38	3,979	5.46	HENS UNDER 5#		-
Arkansas	5,472	5,414	5,185	5,137	5.25	5.03	5,442	5.30	HENS OVER 5#		65-73
Delmarva	2,257	2,278	2,180	2,559	5.70	5.55	2,222	5.60	DUCKS		-
KY-LA-TN	2,218	2,278	2,208	2,796	5.15	4.76	2,242	5.22	RABBITS-WHOLE		-
Mississipp	oi 2,906	2,916	2,940	2,708	5.77	5.72	2,769	5.78	RABBITS-CUT UP		-
North Car	2,647	2,641	2,625	2,826	6.68	6.74	2,636	6.86	CAN ED ANGIGO O DDG	NOTOGED DOLUTDY	
Texas	2,494	2,496	2,380	2,510	5.25	5.17	2,566	5.24	SAN FRANCISCO PRO		TUTIONO
Total	22,077	22,105	21,385	22,825	5.56	5.43	21,856	5.60	DELIVERED TO REST		
Mon-Wed	66,005 ((A)					66,010 ((A)	FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	89-103
	,	()					, \	,		DRY PACK	108-114
(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.								ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	100	
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 28-Jun-06 is estimated to							nated to		DRY PACK	111-118	
be 33,030	_			•						ICE PACK	88-102
		•	•			•	•	porcont		DRY PACK	102-109
from a year ago. (Last week 32,797,000, last year 32,937,000)							DUCKS		185-190		

^{*} TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 01-Jul-06

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	07/01/06 (1)	06/24/06
CLASS	THOUSANE	HEAD ———
Broiler/fryer	171,348 (2)	165,999
Light hens	993	1,054
Heavy hens	1,674	1,633
Total	174,015	168,686

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 01-Jul-06 is 162.5 million head compared to 177.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 171.7 million head or 9.2 million more than estimated available. For the week of 08-Jul-06 the estimated available is 162.3 million head.

<u>WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-</u>SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

PROCE	SSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	<u>LBS</u>	<u>LBS</u>
AM 06/26/06	105,689	66,644
AM 06/01/06	96,574	65,824
CHG	9,115	820
PCT CHG	9	1

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCI	<u>ESSED TU</u>	<u>IRKEYS</u>	PROC	CESSED PO	<u>OULTRY</u>
	06/26/06	06/19/06	06/27/05	06/26/06	06/19/06	06/27/05
PACIFIC						
COAST	529	532	4,024	7,805	7,056	6,087
LOS						

81

2,927

2.796

3.507

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

158

163

ANGELES

CHUKARS ea. TOTAL COOPS 44

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF JUNE 26, 2006 RANGE HENS ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX) 69-76 VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX) 72-79

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

LOW HIGH AVG LOW HIGH AVG HEAVY FOWL lb. - HEAVY FOWL ea. .65 - 3.00 LIGHT FOWL Ib. - LIGHT FOWL ea. MIXED FOWL lb. - MIXED FOWL ea. BANTAMS lb. - BANTAMS ea. BROILERS lb. - BROILERS ea. ROASTERS lb. - ROASTERS ea. FRYERS lb. - FRYERS ea. - CHICKS ea. CHICKS lb. .25 2.75 PULLETS lb. - PULLETS ea. - BUNNIES ea. BUNNIES lb. .50 - ROOSTERS ea. ROOSTERS lb. GEESE lb. - GEESE ea. TURKEYS lb. - TURKEYS ea. DUCKS lb. - DUCKS ea. .70 2.00 1.00 RABBITS ea. RABBITS lb. PIGEONS lb. - PIGEONS ea. 1.50 4.25 GUINEA FOWL lb. - GUINEA FOWL ea. DUCKLINGS lb. - DUCKLINGS ea. 1.50 2.25 GUINEA KEETS ea. - 4.00 - CALL DUCKS ea. SILKIES ea. - GOSLINGS ea. - TURKEY POULTS ea.-GUINEA PIGS ea.

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City

Cent	Cents per pound for the week ending June 23, 2006						
	Whole		Legs	Necks, Backs	Livers	/	
	Chickens	Breasts	W/ Thighs	<u>& Wings</u>	<u>Gizzards</u>	<u>Hens</u>	
RAY	ON						
Low	55.61	142.99	91.35	15.89	3.97	71.49	
High	n 67.52	146.96	95.33	19.86	7.94	71.49	
Most	ly 55.61	142.99	91.35	15.89	3.97	71.49	
SAN	JUAN						
Low	56.40	139.02	95.33	15.89	3.97	71.49	
High	n 68.32	146.96	99.30	19.86	3.97	71.49	
Most	ly 56.40	142.99	95.33	15.89	3.97	71.49	
NEW	SAN JUAN	1					
Low	55.61	139.02	91.35	15.89	3.97	71.49	
High	n 68.32	142.99	99.30	19.86	7.94	71.49	
Most	ly 55.61	139.02	95.33	15.89	3.97	71.49	
BEC	ERRA						
Low	55.61	150.93	95.33	19.86	3.97	71.49	
High	68.32	154.90	103.27	23.83	7.94	71.49	
Most	ly 55.61	154.90	99.30	23.83	3.97	71.49	

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to moderate with sellers generally looking for sharp increases in activity as the July 4th holiday period draws closer. Seller offerings were adequate to fully adequate. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 59 to 75 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, boneless/skinless breasts continued to clear well. Other cuts were generally noted as well balanced to closely cleared.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

	BRANDED
	U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	58-76
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A)Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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